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1. ACCORDING BRITISH HICOM OFFICE THERE, BRUNEI SULTAN

AND SIR OMAR HAVE CALLED ON "LOYAL CITIZENS" TO REOCUPPY DISPUTED LIMBANG TERRITORY IN RETALIATION FOR ALLEGED

GOM COMPLICITY IN ESCAPE OF REBEL DETAINEES (REFTEL). HMG HAS MADE STRONG REPRESENTATIONS TO SULTAN AND HIS FATHER IN OPPOSITION TO REVIVAL OF LIMBANG DISPUTE AND THREAT TO RELATIONS WITH GOM. HICOM OFFICER ALSO INDICATED HMG HAS PLACED ABSOLUTE BAN ON INVOLVEMENT OF UK PERSONNEL, INCLUDING GHRKHA MERCENARIES, AND EQUIPMENT IN ANY ATTEMPTS BY BRUNEI REOCCUPY LIMBANG.

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WM COMMENT: "RETALIATION" RE LIMBANG TERRITORY THUS

FAR APPEARS TO BE ONLY EXHORTATION TO BRUNEI PEOPLE AND THERE NO INDICATION OF FORMAL MILITARY OR QUASI-MILITARY MOVES. ACCORDING OTHER INFO RECEIVED BY EMBASSY, ADDITION FORM OF "RETALIATION" IS CRACK-DOWN ON MALAYSIAN CITIZENS EMPLOYED IN BRUNEI; IT LIKELY THERE WILL BE MASS TERMINATION OF EMPLOYEMENT CONTRACTS OF FEW THOUSAND MALAYSIAN EMPLOYED IN BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR.

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